

MIAMI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
25 N BROADWAY
PERU, IN 46970
January 13, 2014

Chairman Francis called the meeting to order. All members were present.

MINUTES

Commissioner West made a motion to approve the minutes from December 23rd. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner West made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 18th executive meeting. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner West made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 27th executive meeting. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD APPOINTMENT

The Board signed a memo regarding reappointing Dal Metzger to the Public Defender Board. Mr. Metzger's term will run from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016

HANGER 200

The Board received a request for payment of bills for the Hanger 200 project. The County's portion of the bills is \$54,694.91. Commissioner West made a motion to process the payment. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

STATEMENT OF VALUES

The Board received a statement of values from Saine Summers Insurance, which added the storage barn at 35 German Street (Highway). Commissioner Hamman made a motion to sign the new statement of values. Commissioner West 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

PAYROLL & CLAIMS

Commissioner West made a motion to enter into record that due to the Courthouse being closed last Monday and Tuesday (due to weather), the Board of Commissioners came in on Wednesday and reviewed and approved both the claims and payroll.

Commissioner West made a motion to approve 2 corrections to the payroll. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

YMCA RURAL TRANSIT

Kathy Brehmer brought in the 4th quarter voucher for the Commissioners to sign. Commissioner West made a motion to sign the voucher. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Mrs. Brehmer also brought in the maintenance plan report for the Commissioners to sign. Commissioner West made a motion to sign the maintenance plan report. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Mrs. Brehmer also gave the Board the financial report for the 2013 Transit Program.

COMMUNITY OF MIAMI

Dave Hanby informed the Board of Commissioners that Deer Creek Trustee, Ralph Cory, told him that it was illegal to have three sewer board members attend the Commissioners meeting (December 23, 2013) and that it is illegal to have the community of Miami vote on who they want on the sewer board.

Commissioner Francis explained that the Board of Commissioners normally receive a recommendation from the Sewer Board and appoint that recommendation. They have never had more than one name turned into them. Since there are three interested this time, the Board of Commissioners were trying to be fair and give Mr. Hanby and Mrs. Hodson the opportunity to show that other people in Miami are unhappy with the way

things are and that they want Mr. Hanby or Mrs. Hodson to represent them. Mr. Hanby asked how much weight the votes would carry because the Board can appoint anyone they want. Since the beginning of the project, there has not been more than one person interested in each position and the Commissioners are interested in hearing from the people in the Community as to who they would like to represent them on the sewer board because it is their community and their sewer district. Mr. Hanby does not want to ask people to come to a meeting if their vote is not going to matter. Commissioner Francis reiterated that the Board of Commissioners wants to appoint a person that the community is willing to represent them. The Board of Commissioners suggested a vote so they would know what the wish of the community is but they do not have to have a vote.

Mr. Hanby asked for a copy of the Commissioners minutes from December 23rd, 2013. Commissioner West made a copy for him after the Board approved them. Mr. Hanby voiced his displeasure that the minutes did not reflect word for word what was said during the meeting. Commissioner West explained that the minutes are not word for word, they are a summary of the meeting.

Mr. Hanby stated that the Commissioner had asked for a monthly report from the sewer board and wanted to know why they have not received any.

Mrs. Hodson asked the Commissioners if there was a limit on how much the residents can be charged. The Commissioners do not have that information.

HIGHWAY ENGINEER

Ken Einselen brought an LPA claim voucher to be signed by the Commissioners for reimbursement. Commissioner West made a motion to sign the voucher. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

The Bridge Conference will be held on January 22 & 23 and Mr. Einselen asked if he could attend. Mr. Einselen stated he would drive back and forth. Commissioner West made a motion to allow. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

The Next LPA meeting will be January 16th at 7p.m.

ANNEX FURNACE

There is an issue with the heat at the North end of the annex. Commissioner Hamman made a motion to have Bowmans put a new furnace in. Commissioner West 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

COUNTY ATTORNEY

County Attorney Pat Roberts gave his legal opinion on the dams at Hidden Hills. In his opinion the Miami County Commissioners/Miami County are not responsible for the Dams.

IDEM NOTICE

The Board received a notice from IDEM regarding public comment being sent out for renewal of air quality permit for Woodcrest.

IT

John Evans informed the Board that the vertical server crashed and he spent 14-16 hours working on it over the weekend. It will have to be replaced the end of this year or the beginning of next year.

Spy Glass is working with Mr. Evans to remove lines that the County is not using.

Mr. Evans has checked into changing the dial out number to 8 from 9 to reduce the amount of 9-1-1 calls generated from the Courthouse. The cost would be between \$1,300 & \$1,500.

Mr. Evans explained that there are 11 servers that will need to be rebuilt before next year. The cost will be approximately \$600 for 2 servers. Commissioner West made a motion

to authorize up to \$3,600 to get the server license upgrades. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

The e-mail server will also need to be rebuilt and the mail enable will need to be renewed which will cost \$350. Commissioner Hamman made a motion to allow. Commissioner West 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Mr. Evans also asked the Board to consider getting a new laptop computer for the IT Department.

There is a need for new Barracuda license, which will cost \$2,600. Commissioner West made a motion to allow. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

SHERIFF

Sheriff Miller informed the Board that they will be receiving money back from McCallister.

The Sheriff gave a copy of his annual report to the Board of Commissioners and went over some statistics of increased numbers from 2011 to 2013.

The Sheriff's Department has received several grants recently.

- *\$11,760 grant from Dukes Healthcare Foundation for the purchase of AEDs
- *grant from the Criminal Justice Institute for 6 scanners for e-tickets (no money, they just send the equipment)
- *\$5,000 grant from 4 County to help with drug programs

RECORDER

Recorder Brenda Weaver reported to the Board that the XP would not be supported after April 8th which affects 5 terminals, 1 scanner and 1 receipt machine in her office and the cost would be approximately \$14,000. Mrs. Weaver currently has \$45,482.84 in her perpetuation fund and she will need to pay out \$25,000 for contracts.

REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION

Commissioner Francis made a motion to have Sheriff Tim Miller request an investigation by the Indiana State Police into the allegations made by Brenda Weaver and Rhonda Trexler against Commissioner Jerry Hamman. The allegations were made in a Protective Order request filed in the Miami Circuit Court on 12-13-13 by both the Recorder and her 1st Deputy and the Board believes them to be false allegations. Commissioner West 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner West made the statement that we need to "get to the bottom of this" because it reflects badly on Commissioner Hamman and the rest of the Courthouse.

Commissioner Francis gave a press release to both media personnel in attendance.

MCEDA

Jim Tidd came before the Board to ask for support to go before the Council regarding the creation of two new ERA (Economic Revitalization Area) areas. The two areas are:

- *property north of US 24 (300 & Cass County line)
- *Area around Peru Airport

The Council would have to approve a Declaratory Resolution, have a public hearing and then do a confirmatory resolution.

Commissioner West made a motion to support. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

REORGANIZATION

Commissioner West nominated Commissioner Francis as Chairman for 2014.

Commissioner West moved to close the nominations. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Chairman Francis nominated Commissioner West as Vice Chairman.
Commissioner Hamman moved to close the nominations. Commissioner Francis 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

CLOCK MAINTENANCE RENEWAL
Verdin Clock Company sent a maintenance agreement for the clocks at the top of the Courthouse. Commissioner West made a motion to accept the 1-year agreement in the amount of \$580. Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

APPOINTMENTS
Commissioner West made a motion to reappoint Kris Marks as EMA Director.
Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner West made a motion to reappoint Jay Kendall as the Veteran Officer.
Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner West made a motion to reappoint Ken Einselen as Highway Engineer.
Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner West made a motion to reappoint Brad Smith as Highway Supervisor.
Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

COVERED BRIDGE NOTIFICATION
Commissioner West made a motion to sign the covered bridge notification to the State.
Commissioner Hamman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

ACCIDENT REPORTS
The Board of Commissioners would like to receive a copy of all accident reports (people falling and accidents in the buildings or grounds).

INSURANCE RENEWAL
The Board received a renewal notice for boiler insurance. The Board wants to check with Norris Insurance to find out what all it covers and if we still need to carry it.

Commissioner Hamman made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner West 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Adjourned

MIAMI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSION

_____, **Chairman**
Joshua Francis

_____, **Vice Chairman**
Larry West

_____, **Member**
Jerry Hamman

Attest: _____, **Auditor**
Jane Lilley